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1. In August 1950, the Hunan Provincial T'aoyuan Tin Mining Company at T'aoyuan was taken over by the Central and South China Area's Department of Industries as a joint public and private company. This joint company was abolished in June 1951 when the Central and South China Area's Non-ferrous Metals (有色金属) Administration took over management of the mines. Since taking over the mines, the Non-ferrous Metals Administration has installed considerable new machinery and re-organized operations; consequently, production has increased considerably. Details concerning this mining complex are as follows:

a. Daily output of the nine mines is about 250 tons of tin ore. The refinery processes about 30 tons of ore daily, and turns out 8 tons of tin ingots per day. When the new tin refinery equipment, which has already arrived, has been placed in operation, daily output of ingots will be approximately 60 tons. The existing refinery equipment is all Soviet-made and was installed after the Non-ferrous Metals Administration took over operation of this company. The refinery equipment which was formerly in use has all been removed and taken to the Kuanchuang Tin Refinery for use there.

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- b. A total of 2970 persons are employed by the mining complex. These consist of the following:

Managerial staff and associated employees	30 persons
Mine staff and associated employees	140 persons
Skilled mine workers	320 persons
Ordinary mine workers	1980 persons
Skilled refinery workers	500 persons

- c. Nine primary-grade mines are in operation; each of these has the following equipment:

4 kai miao kuai chi (開苗塊機) (mine-opening machines?)  
 1 kai shih chi (開石機) (stone opening machine?)  
 1 water pump  
 1 air regulator (sic)  
 1 electric generator, 25v (sic)  
 1 pulley for looking into the mine (sic)  
 tracks and other transport equipment

- d. Refinery equipment consists of:

2 fen sha lu (分砂爐) (ore-separating furnaces?)  
 4 mo sha chi (磨砂機) (ore-grinding machines?)  
 1 tsung ko sha lu (總隔砂爐)  
 4 kuang sha fen lou (礦砂分漏器)  
 12 yuan sha tsao (厚砂槽)  
 2 shang kuang lu (上光爐)

- e. Principal personnel includes:

TENG Chih-t'ung (鄧志同), General Manager, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

LIU Shih-feng (劉石峰), Assistant General Manager, who was retained from the former staff of the Company.

TUNG I-chung (董一中), Assistant General Manager, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

LIU Ch'ing-fan (柳慶藩), Military Representative, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

CHAN Tsu-kan (詹祖乾), Engineer, who was retained from the former staff of the Company.

LU Ting-ch'ang (魯定昌), Engineer, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

SHU Tzu-yu (舒子佑), Head of the Mines, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

CH'ENG Ch'ing-yuan (程清遠), Assistant Head of the Mines, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

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KUAN Tso-min (管佐民), Head of the Refinery, who was retained from the former staff of the Company.

MAO Chueh-sen (毛覺森), Assistant Head of the Refinery, who was appointed by the Chinese Communists.

2. Since the Communists came to power in China, the South Anhwei Branch Office's Non-ferrous Metals (有色金屬) Administration has controlled the Tungkuanshan Copper Mines, located near Tungling. During the past two years, the Tungkuanshan Copper Mines Bureau of this Administration has made a number of repairs and has installed some new machinery in the two mining establishments under its control, the Hsichingtung (西晴洞) Mine and the Tiehchiaotsui (鐵角嘴) Mine.

- a. The Tungkuanshan Copper Mines Bureau has the following 24 persons assigned to it:

LU Pao-wu (陸苞吾), Chief of the Mines, who is a 50 year old native of Kwangsi.

HSU Chiu-min (許九閔), Assistant Chief of the Mines, who is a 47 year old native of Fukien.

WEN Ch'ing-lin (溫清林), Assistant Chief of the Mines, who is a 40 year old native of Kiangsu.

WANG Fei-lung (王飛龍), Military Deputy, who is a 40 year old native of Hupeh.

CHOU Yu-k'un (周玉崑), Engineer, who is a 48 year old native of Chekiang.

CHUNG Yun-ch'uan (鍾運銓), Assistant Engineer, who is a 42 year old native of Anhwei.

Eighteen additional engineering personnel.

- b. Hsichingtung Mine has 6 shafts producing 150 tons of ore per month. Its smelter has two Japanese-made smelting furnaces which can produce a maximum of 4 tons of copper daily. The mine employs 1016 persons.
- c. Tiehchiaotsui Mine has 8 shafts producing 220 tons of ore per month. Its smelter has been entirely equipped with items brought from the Minchuan (閩泉) Mine Bureau at Mukden, including 1 Soviet-made furnace of the Pamaszu (帕馬斯) lying type (sic), and can produce a maximum of 10 tons of Copper daily. The mine employs 1249 persons.

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3. Statistics compiled by the Committee of Finance and Economics of the Peiping Government in Peiping on 15 February 1952, covering production of minerals and metals in China during the calendar year 1951, showed the following figures:

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| a. Tin production     | 6,143 tons  |
| b. Wolfram production | 13,774 tons |

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